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Mr. Dulles referred to the transcript of Caudle's testimony forwarded by Gordon Gray and the DCI indicated that he had already seen it.

Mr. Dulles noted Mr. [] talk with the State Department regarding Iran and the DCI commented that there did not seem to be any spontaneous enthusiasm about the suggestion.

Mr. Dulles handed the DCI a clipping on RFE which would appear in this week's LOOK magazine.

The DCI asked Mr. Wisner to investigate the facts with respect to Mr. [] commitment to stay with PSB. The DCI was not prepared to approve a commitment to stay only until September 1.

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Mr. Wisner reported that the State Department had finally approved the [] operation and the next step was to get the men nominated for the Committee down to Washington for a conference with the DCI and Mr. Mathews of State. The DCI approved.

Mr. Wisner noted that Gordon Gray was getting Mallory Brown and also George Morgan on his staff.

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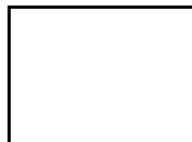
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Mr. Becker referred to Dr. Langer's recommendation that the DCI deny Gen. Samford's request for an estimate on  orally, rather than by memo. The DCI indicated that he had read the paper making such recommendation and approved.

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Mr. Becker also raised Dr. Chadwell's recommendation that a postponement be given as to the atomic energy estimate and that the recently cleared consultants be announced to the IAC. As to the former, the DCI indicated that he would handle. As to the latter, he indicated that the atomic energy people should be consulted and asked to recommend a man they thought best qualified to review such an estimate.

Immediately after the meeting, Mr. Wisner gave to the DCI a brief report of a much more favorable turn of events in PSB's consideration of how to get under way with the preparation of a "National Psychological Strategy". In this connection, he mentioned Messrs. Bohlen and Nitze from State had made a number of helpful suggestions.



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